## May 2013

May 11, 11:00 AM

## Luzonica Birds of the World

Luzonica will bring birds from around the world to promote understanding; appreciation and conservation of all bird species.

Erin Koski Director of Luzonica

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

May 18, 10:30 & 1:00

## **Camping / Hiking for Beginners**

Come and see what equipment you will need for beginning car camping and day hikers. Learn what equipment will fit into your budget and where you can rent and try equipment.

David Sislak Asst. Store Manager Northface Camarillo Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

May 25, 10:30 AM

## **Cub Scout Wildlife Conservation Program**

Cast an animal track; learn about the endangered California condor, our nature center, and do a small service project. Reservations required \*

Gordie Hemphill Pres. LPFA Djai Chapter and scouter

Fee for both youth and adult is \$3.00 to cover cost of materials

#### **June 2013**

June 1, 10:30 AM

#### **Nature Walk with Julie Tumamait**

See and learn to identify the plants found in the Wheeler Gorge Campground. Chumash Elder Julie Tumamait will teach you about how plants are used for food, medicines, ceremonies and games.

Julie Tumamait – Chumash Elder

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

June 8, 10:30 & 1:00

# Camping /Hiking for the Advanced

Come and see what equipment you will need for advanced car camping and day hikers. Learn what equipment will fit into your budget and where you can rent and try equipment.

David Sislak Asst. Store Manager The Northface Camarillo Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

June 15, 10:30 AM Trees are Treemendous (Cub Scout Required Program)

Discover the native and non-native trees that live in Wheeler Gorge on this short and very educational walk led by Los Padres National Forest Botanist Lloyd Simpson. The walk begins at the center and continues into the campground.

Lloyd Simpson – Forest Botanist Los Padres National Forest Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

June 15, 1:00 PM

## **Webelos Scout Forester Program**

This program will cover forest trees and how both humans and animals use them. Learn about plants and the animals that depend on them. Reservations required\*

Gordie Hemphill Pres. LPFA Ojai Chapter and scouter

Fee for both youth and adult is \$3.00 to cover cost of materials.

June 22, 10:30 AM

#### **Webelos Scout Naturalist Program**

This program will cover respecting and protecting wildlife in our local forest. You will also learn about birds and their flyways, venomous reptiles, poisonous plants and how to identify them. You will learn about food chains and ecosystems and how humans have changed the balance of nature. Reservations required\*

Alexa Hohensee Secretary LPFA and scouter

Fee for both youth and adult is \$3.00 to cover cost of material

June 29, 11:00 AM

**Humane Society Surprise Program** 

Just what will the surprise be from the Humane Society? Could it be "lions, tigers or bears oh my" or something very different? You will have to come and see.

Dawn Reily, Education Department Ventura County
Humane Society

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

# **July 2013**

July 6, 11:00 AM

## **Reptiles from Around the World**

Tom Hagan, with the Southwestern Herpetological Society, will present live and impressive lizards and snakes and give advice on which reptile to pick as a pet.

Tom Hagan and Sandy Chase Southwestern Herpetological Society Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

July 13, 11:00 AM

**The Amazing World of Bears** 

Kelley Swedlow, Wheeler Gorge Docent, will present information about our brown and black bears, and the many other types of bears found around the world.

Kelly Swedlow Wheeler Gorge Docent

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

July 20, 10:30 AM

## **Last Days of the Dinosaurs**

Richard Wade, scientist, artist and educator, will present a hands-on, fun-filled presentation about how dinosaurs lived and died, even the sounds they made. Hold a real meteorite and replicas of fossils. Appropriate for all age.

Richard Wade – Scientist, artist and educator

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

July 20, 1:00 PM

## Introduction to Meteorites. A Hobbyist's Perspective.

A presentation and display of specimens will teach you how to recognize meteorites from meteor-wrongs and how to estimate their value. There will also be examples of tektites, moldavites, Libyan glass, leaverites, and canhardlies on display. A palm-sized meteorite will be passed around for the audience to hold and study.

Mike Havstad Curator Wheeler Gorge Visitor Center Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

July 27, 11:00AM

**Humane Society Surprise Program** 

This second presentation what will it be? Could it that pesky cat/dog or maybe that cockroach? This lady is full of surprises with critter from the Humane Society that she has rescued.

Dawn Reily, Education Department Ventura County
Humane Society

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

# **Aug 2013**

Aug 3, 10:30 AM

## **Webelos Scout Naturalist Program**

This program will cover respecting and protecting wildlife in our local forest. You will also learn about birds and their flyways, venomous reptiles, poisonous plants and how to identify them. You will learn about food chains and ecosystems and how humans have changed the balance of nature. Reservations required\*

Alexa Hohensee Secretary LPFA and scouter

Fee for both youth and adult is \$3.00 to cover cost of materials

Aug 10, 11:00 AM

**Reptiles from Around the World** 

Tom Hagan, with the Southwestern Herpetological Society, will present live and impressive lizards and snakes and give advice on which reptile to pick as a pet.

Tom Hagan and Sandy Chase Southwestern Herpetological Society Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

Aug 17, 10:30 AM

## **Volcanoes in Story and Science**

Learn from our gifted storyteller Richard Wade, scientist, artist and educator, the science of how volcanoes erupt and grow. He will also entertain your children with legends and lore. Volunteers make a model volcano erupt! Get a free piece of lava.

Richard Wade – Scientist, artist and educator

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

Aug 17, 1:00 PM

## **Cub Scout Geology/Webelos Geologist**

Discover how volcanoes, mountains, caves and geysers are formed. Learn how rocks and minerals are used in metal, glass, jewelry, and in building homes. Make a Moh's scale of hardness kit. Start a rock and mineral kit. Reservations required\*

Mike Havstad Curator Wheeler Gorge Visitor Center

Fee for both youth and adult is \$3.00 to cover cost of materials

Aug 24, 10:30 AM

You Bug Me

"Insects and their relationship with mankind: The good, the bad, and the ugly". Insects are very helpful to man., providing food, medical assistance and other beneficial services. They can also cause serious damage to agriculture and spread disease.

Philip Phillips BS/MS/ PHD in Entomology from UC Riverside Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

Aug 24, 1:30 PM

## **Bats You Never Imagined**

Ranger Kris presents the amazing world of bats; in sizes, shapes, features and colors you've never imagined. Meet her pet bat and see her magical slide show with the vampire bats and many others.

Kris Mashburn – California State Parks

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

Aug 31, 11:00 AM

#### **Chumash Crafts and Games with Julie Tumamait**

Make a clapper stick, start a basket and learn how to create other authentic Chumash works of art. Youth must be at least 8 years of age to participate.

# Julie Tumamait - Chumash Elder Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

## **Sept 2013**

Sept 7, 11:00AM

## **Saving the California Condor**

What issues face this most endangered species and can they truly be returned to the wild to live on their own? A presentation and items displayed by members of the Friends of the California Condor Free and Wild.

Vince Gerwe/Bill Friends of the California Condor Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

Sept 14, 11:00AM

## **Live Birds of Prey**

A live demonstration of birds of prey: owls, hawks, and falcons. Meet Dakota a Great Horned Owl and other birds of prey. Presented by Kim Stroud, Director of the Ojai Raptor Center, and her staff.

Kim Stroud – Director, Ojai Raptor Center

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

Sept 21, 11:00AM

#### Nature's Mineral, Lapidary, Meteorite and Fossil Treasures.

A panel of knowledgeable hobbyists from the Oxnard Gem and Mineral, Conejo Gem and Mineral, and Ventura Gem and Mineral Clubs will discuss, in 20 minute sessions, what qualities make each type of treasure valuable and why we collect. Bring a specimen from home and have it identified and given an estimated value.

Mike Havstad Curator Wheeler Gorge Visitor Center Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

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